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PRESS RELEASE

Inmate Death - Ellsworth P. Roberts, Jr.

On Thursday, March 8, 2018, a 73-year-old inmate housed at the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center (JTVCC) in Smyrna passed away. Ellsworth P. Roberts, Jr. (DOB 07/3/1944) was pronounced dead at 2:10 p.m. His family has been notified.

Roberts, of Wilmington, Delaware, was serving a 12 year sentence for 2nd Degree Robbery. He began his sentence on 08/16/2013.

Roberts' body was turned over to the State Division of Forensic Science, as is standard procedure.

Foul play is not suspected.

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